

The Saks Stores

Pennsylvania Avenue and Seventh Street.

"Domestic Friday."

A concentration of effort culminated in a special offering of the commodities of the home and the wardrobe even on Fridays. These weekly events are carefully planned for—and even fraction of a penny's advantage in price that customers are given the full benefit of. Always lower than others—BUT LOWER THAN OURSELVES ON FRIDAYS.

Pillow Cases, 8c each.

That are worth 12-15c—we don't need to tell you that. They are standard quality, 42x36 inch size, heavy and new, with wide hems. Not over 6 to a customer.

Bleached Cotton, 6c a yd.

A full case to be sold tomorrow. If we could advertise this cotton under its real name ten cases would not supply the demand. Neither would they if you saw it—for you'd recognize the brand. Not over 10 yards to a customer.

Unbleached Cotton, 6c a yd.

500 yards of the best quality Unbleached Cotton Flannel, usually sold for 10c a yard—single with the heavy twill. Not over 10 yards to a customer.

Huck Towels, 10c each.

Regular 12-15c weight and width—12-15c for 50 dozen 20x40. Hucks that are worth 15c. Not over a dozen of either lot to a customer.

Crib Spreads, 50c.

10 Heavy Crib Spreads, in large crib size—good patterns and good value for 50c.

Crochet Spreads, 89c.

77 Colored Crochet Spreads, in light blue and light pink—worth \$1.25; also 37 Heavy Crochet Spreads in Marcellite patterns, worth \$1.25 for 8c.

\$1.25 Blankets, 89c a pair.

There are just 22 pairs of them—Heavy Flannel Blankets, with Pink and Blue borders, that retail usually at \$1.25.

Flannellette, 19c per pattern.

100 Heavy Flannellette Skirt Patterns, with heavy crocheted edge, and good value at \$1.25—each that.

1,000 yds Flannellette, 7c a yd.

The season's choicest coloring and patterns—the best values sold at 10c and 12-15c a yard. Friday's is a special price.

Apron Gingham, 4c a yd.

In the popular pattern and the same grade you consider good value for 6c a yard.

Crib Blankets, 39c.

Fleeced Crib Blankets, regular 75c kind, with Blue and Pink edge, heavily crocheted.

158 Pairs Nottingham Lace Curtains, 69c each strip.

You may be able to get two, three or four pairs of a pattern—but of some there are only one left. They are in Brussels and Fish Net effects. Regular \$1.50 and \$2.25 at fair values.

Door Mats, 39c.

200 Coarse Door Mats, good size and well made.

Window Shades, 19c.

150 Opaque Window Shades, 28 inches wide and 2 yards long; slightly tilted. Regular 50c shades.

Good Luck in Linings.

Heavy Twilled Stetson and Mole Percale, fast black and colors; worth 12-15c a yard, for 9c.

Choice of 20 different patterns of Black-back Figured Waist Linings.

Special price for Friday—12-15c for 9c. 35-inch Gilted Silk, taffeta-like in coloring, effect, and "fin".

Men's White Unlaund-ered Shirts, 35c, 3 for \$1.

Never, never, NEVER have you had such a chance—and even now those who wear 16 cannot enjoy it—for there are no 16's left. The same shirt that we have been selling at 25c in the great first-of-the-year "White Shirt" sale, a better shirt than that offered at 25c elsewhere. That has been proven by comparison. We get from the maker 16 dozen more—men's size, 15. He closed them out to us—so we "close them out" to you.

Revised "Notion" List.

English Book Pins, assorted sizes, 5c. Curling Irons, 3c. Hairpins, heavy and invisible, 3c. Muslin-covered Corset Steels, 3c. One dozen Tape Buttons, 3c. Women's Cotton 5c. Garters, Black and White, 7c. Hump Hooks and Eyes, 6c. 3-piece Africa Court Pins, 1c. Dressmakers' Pins, 260 in the paper, 1c. Mohair Skirt Binding, with cord finish, per yard, 4c. Silk-stitched "Hone" casing, 9c. 12-yard pieces White, Black, or Grey Belting, 121-2c. Double-covered Dress Shields, warranted, per pair, 12c. Black or White Darning Cotton on spools, two for 3c. Silk Abdominal Hose Supporters, with belt, 25c.

Saks and Company

MR. VANDERBILT'S OFFER

He Wants the New York, New Haven and Hartford Road.

The Negotiations for Its Control Said to Have Been Begun Prior to His European Trip—The Proposition Contains a Guarantee of 8 Per Cent on the Capital Stock of the Line.

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—William K. Vanderbilt, on his return from a two months' cruise to Mediterranean ports which he began on his steam yacht *Valiant* on Monday, may complete another colossal achievement in railway financing, the first steps of which, it was said last night, were entered upon a few days before Mr. Vanderbilt sailed.

A director of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company is believed to have taken to New Haven and Boston on Saturday last an informal offer from Mr. Vanderbilt which indicates that the New York, New Haven and Hartford system may become later a part of the New York Central system. Mr. Vanderbilt told the director, it is said, that any close observer should have no trouble in noting the tendency of railway consolidation movements in the trunk line territory east of the Mississippi and north of the Ohio River.

They meant that the Central system was in position to dominate the Eastern situation, and would do so, and that it might be advantageous for the New York, New Haven and Hartford directors to consider a liberal offer from those in control of the Central. This director, whose influence with his associates in the board is a potent one, said that if the offer were large enough it would be kindly considered, and he asked what the Connecticut and Boston people might expect.

It was suggested that a guarantee of 8 per cent on the capital stock might be considered. As far as the conference advanced, it is said, and the director went away to talk to his friends in New England, with the conviction that such an arrangement would be favorably regarded by the Rockefeller and Morgan interests in the road.

The fact that Pierpont Morgan and William Rockefeller are directors of both the New York Central and the New Haven is regarded as a significant thing. The important interests represented by them would not be adverse to a plan for bringing the two roads into closer relations on terms not disadvantageous to either. The latter company covers the entire field of southern New England, but its directors cannot fail to have noted the trend of railway affairs in the United States, and the fact that the well-informed observers points to the ultimate control by the New York Central of all the New England roads.

A year or two ago the Vanderbilt interests secured control of the Rutland Railroad, the plans for the extension and development of which have not yet, however, been fully worked out. Within the last fortnight the stockholders of the New York Central and the Boston and Albany have ratified the action of their respective boards of directors in making a long lease of the Boston and Albany to the Central, although the lease cannot become operative until sanctioned by the general court of Massachusetts, a measure which is opposed by the Massachusetts State Commissioners for the Fitchburg Railroad stock, on the ground that the lease may be hurtful to the interests of the Fitchburg Road.

The Fitchburg, which at one time seemed likely to come under Vanderbilt control, is now in negotiation with the Boston and Maine with the object of having the latter road leased to the Boston and Maine already virtually owns the Maine Central, and if it secures the Fitchburg, a step which would cut off the Rutland Road from its home obtaining a Boston connection, it is believed in Wall Street that the Boston and Maine itself would before long be taken into the New York Central system.

Rumors that such a move was in contemplation were current only recently, to be denied by the president of the Boston and Maine, but its execution is believed in this city to be only a question of time. The New York, New Haven and Hartford system operates a total of 1,464 miles, made up of 417 miles of track owned by the company, 1,025 miles of leased lines and twenty-two miles of line operated under trackage arrangements.

Through securing control of a large number of formerly independent roads, the most important being the Old Colony Railroad system, which in February, 1893, it leased for ninety-nine years, and the New England Railroad Company, a ninety-nine year lease of which it effected on July 1, 1898—the New Haven company now has a network of railways covering the whole southern part of New England. Its terminal arrangements at this end of the line, however, are not believed to be as satisfactory as its management could desire, for, while it has extensive and valuable freight terminal at Morris Dock, the junction of the Harlem River and Long Island Sound, it is dependent upon the New York Central system for a direct entrance into New York city for its passenger traffic, its trains being run over the New York and Harlem road, for twelve miles from Woodlawn Junction, the western end of the New Haven line, to the Grand Central Station.

This fact, it is pointed out, may have added consideration tending to dispose the stockholders of the New York, New Haven and Hartford to look with favor upon such a proposition as that which Mr. Vanderbilt is said to have in mind for submission to them.

The stock of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company is an 8 per cent dividend payer. Its range in 1899 was between 198 and 222. It is an "inactive" stock, and the most recent quotation for it is 212 bid, 217 asked.

A New Haven stockholder of the road said last night at the Waldorf: "The absorption is coming sure enough, and it's coming in a hurry. I believe that if Mr. Vanderbilt suggested an 8 per cent guarantee as the price of the New Haven system the Central people would get the 8 per cent guarantee would make the shares exceedingly valuable to put away while the years roll by, as the Central would be in position, through even as well as through good report, to make good the guarantee."

No one in a position of authority at the Grand Central offices would talk about the mooted arrangements yesterday. President Callaway is one of the city, and Senator Depew will not return to New York from Washington until tomorrow.

Elizabeth Blackford Not Insane.

ELIZABETH N. J., Jan. 11.—Mrs. Bailey and Green, appointed to examine into the sanity of Detective John L. Blackford, of the Central Railroad, who is in the Union County Jail for highway robbery, testified this morning that there was no evidence of insanity about the prisoner. Blackford will be sentenced tomorrow.

HOSTELTERS CELEBRATED

To cure a weak stomach take a dose of the Bitters three times a day. It has a refreshing taste and will effectively cure

Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Constipation, Biliousness and Liver or Kidney Trouble.

"Ten-two F."

CROWDS AT RICH'S SHOE SALE.

News travels rapidly—and the news of the wonderful values in ladies' and men's shoes which we have been offering has "traveled like wildfire." With greatly increased facilities we have been almost unable to serve the great crowds which have been here, and especially during the past few days.

Take into consideration what you are getting! The highest grades of footwear! As you know we have never sold any other sort, and we haven't bought up a single pair especially for this sale, which is a common practice.

'Tis true, they are off style—mostly narrow toes, but they are fine shoes for all that, and when "in style" were considered the most fashionable footwear to be had. They are very badly broken in sizes, too.

When we moved across the street into our handsome shoe building on the corner, all these "off-style" shoes, all the broken lots, and all those lines which we decided to discontinue, were retained here, and it is this stock of footwear we are now offering

at prices which are but a fraction of what they were.

Original price marks are plainly to be seen, and we have not touched one.

These two lots will give you an idea of the splendid savings:

Women's \$2 and \$3 50c shoes, now . . . \$1

—embracing Lace and Button Shoes, in sizes 2 to 3 1/2 only, and in widths A and B only.

Women's \$3 to \$5 shoes and oxfords . . . \$1

—odd and ends of High-grade Footwear, but broken in sizes and widths.

All the better grades and styles in Men's and Women's Shoes at exactly half former prices.

\$3.00 shoes for \$1.50.

\$3.50 shoes for \$1.75.

\$4.00 shoes for \$2.00.

\$4.50 shoes for \$2.25.

\$5.00 shoes for \$2.50.

B. Rich's Sons

At "Ten-two F." (Old Store).

MRS. HOFFECKER'S COVETED

She Succeeds in Franchising a Thief Into Restitution.

NORRISTOWN, Pa., Jan. 11.—The wife of Prof. R. F. Hoffecker, county superintendent of public schools, badly bluffed a sneak thief in her home here last night.

The duties of Superintendent Hoffecker over the county call him away from home several days at a time. The thief was evidently aware of this fact. He made his appearance at the front door and handed a note, which was unopened for the time being, as Mrs. Hoffecker had a caller in the parlor, and the man was escorted to Prof. Hoffecker's library.

On Mrs. Hoffecker's return to the parlor she read the note, which pleaded misfortune and asked for aid. Her guest exclaimed: "My goodness, I think my grip containing my purse and \$25 will be after me of the same room with the stranger."

Accordingly, Mrs. Hoffecker brought the lady's possessions to her, and when the man was opened, she will be after me of the same room with the stranger. Now, Mrs. Hoffecker previous to her marriage to the county superintendent was one of the most successful school teachers in the county, and widely reported for her diplomacy. She lost no time when her friend's loss was discovered to repair to the library, and there she confronted the man.

"You have taken money from this grip," holding it up, "and I want you to immediately hand it over," she said.

The man protested his innocence, but Mrs. Hoffecker was firm, and continued: "I warn you that all doors of the house are locked and that you cannot get out until you hand over the money. I will give you just one minute to decide between complying or being handed over to the police."

The man, badly scared, went down in his pocket and handed over the missing \$25. Mrs. Hoffecker felt so good over her victory that she complied with the request of the man, and gave him some money, fearing that he was desperately in need.

A CAKE WALKER MARRIES.

The Romance in the Life of Miss Ella Dixon.

NEW YORK, Jan. 11.—Miss Ella Dixon, the handsome young woman who until a few days ago led the cake walk in "a week ago last Sunday evening" in this city, was privately married to a "week ago last Sunday evening" in this city, to Mr. Harold Wakem, a wealthy young man from Chicago. His father is the head of the firm of Wakem & McLaughlin, who are among the greatest grain handlers in Chicago.

Mrs. Wakem, the bride, has retired permanently from the stage. She has been in Harrodsburg, Ky., and only made her professional debut with Mr. Daniels' company last autumn. All the season she had been most attentive to her duties. Mr. Wakem and his bride knew each other when they were children.

A few months ago, when the Daniels company was in Chicago they met again, quite by chance. Mr. Wakem was most attentive to the pretty chorus girl, and when she came to New York, it was not very long before he followed. The marriage was the natural result. The happy pair left on Tuesday for Chicago, where they will make their future home.

Morocco Polishers Strike.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 11.—Nineteen colored Morocco polishers at the National Colored Morocco Works, Broadway and Elm Street, Camden, are out on strike. They want their pay increased. They have been making only from \$6 to \$8 a week, and say they cannot live on such low wages.

THE POPULAR STORE.



Children's Reefers, \$2.48.

Several grades of children's reefer suits, made with large Sailor Collars, plain or braided. The suits come in light and dark shades, checks, pin-stripes and plaids. In worsteds and Cheviots. Ages from 3 to 7 years. Sold up to \$5.50 for \$2.48.

Children's Cape Overcoats, \$1.98.

Two styles consisting of children's cape and storm overcoats. Ages 4 to 9 years, made up in Scotch plaids, Cheviots, blue and black Irish Frieze and Melton. Well made and sold for \$5.50 to close for \$1.98.

Children's Reefers, \$2.98.

One lot of children's Double-breasted reefers, in Astrakhan and Chinilla, blue, black, and brown and green. With small velvet collar or large sailor collars beautifully trimmed with braid. Plain black or large pearl buttons. Plaid or plain black, lined with Farmer Satin. Ages 2 to 8 years. Sold for \$7.50, for \$2.98.

Ladies' Striped Petticoats, 79c.

Made of fine Mercerized Satine and very pretty, full length and width, worth \$1.49, for 79c.

Children's Cloth Coats, \$1.25.

Neatly trimmed with braid, made in the very latest styles; splendid wearing and worth \$2. for \$1.25.

Ladies' Muslin Chemise, 18c.

Square yoke, buttoned front, felled seams; full length and width and worth 45c, for 18c.

Bleached Table Damask, 29c.

64 inches wide. A good quality and extremely neat patterns; worth 50c, for 29c.

Ladies' Corset Covers, 11c.

Made of fine quality Muslin, with square and round neck, trimmed with lace; French felled seams; perfect fitting; worth 25c, for 11c.

Fall Dress Gingham, 4c.

Not many patterns left but what there are on sale at just one-half their value—4c.

All-linen Table Napkins, 35c dozen.

In blue and red checks, also plain centers, with colored borders, very serviceable and worth 55c, for 35c.

Ladies' Gowns, 31c.

Made of fine quality muslin, with tucked yoke, neck and sleeves trimmed with cambric ruffle. Double back yoke, full length and width and worth 75c, for 31c.

Monarch Hemstitched Pillow Cases, 10c.

Made of good muslin, hand torn and ironed, 45x36. Splendid wearing and worth 15c, for 10c.

Monarch Bed Sheets, 29c.

54x90, made of good muslin, hand torn and ironed. Worth 40c, for 29c.

Children's Shoes, 35c.

See if we can fit the children. If so they are the greatest value ever offered. Every pair worth 38c, for 35c.

Ladies' Muslin Drawers, 15c.

Made of good muslin, full cut and with cambric ruffle. Yoke band and taped. Worth 45c, for 15c.

Children's Fast Black Hose, 7c.

Made with double heel and toe and worth 15c, for 7-12c.

Ladies' Fast Black Hose, 8 1/2c.

Made with double heel and toe and an excellent value at 15c a pair, for 8 1/2c.

Ladies' Knit Gloves, 59c pair.

Every pair perfect and all the leading shades. A glove that usually sells for \$1, for 59c.

Children's Vestie Suits, \$4.48.

One novelty in a Child's Cream-colored Silk Corduroy Vestie Suit. The vest is double-breasted, with extra shield, and an eagle is hand worked on the same with colored silk. Positively the most beautiful suit in the city; age 4 years. Sold for \$10. If you have a boy that age you are in luck for \$4.48.

Ladies' Black Mitts, 5c pair.

Fleece lined; keep the hands nice and warm and worth 12-15c, for 5c.

We're going to make it one of the most profitable bargain days you've seen for many a day. The entire store, with its many departments, will contribute to make this sale one of the greatest of its kind. A potpourri of bargains dished up in the most spicy style. Our windows tell the story of this sale at a glance. No need to worry about ready cash when we permit your purchases to be charged.

Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Vests, 17c.

Fleece-lined and a splendid weight, neatly finished around neck. Short sleeves only and worth 25c, for 17c.

Bottle Liquid Shoe Polish, 4c.

Leading brands in both black and russet. Worth 10c.

Hand Scrubs, 2c.

Convenient size and well made and have lasting qualities and worth 5c for 2c.

Cake of Toilet Soap, 2c.

Nicely scented and a product of a well-known concern. Worth 5c, for 2c.

A Pair of Stockinette Dress Shields, 5c.

Not the ordinary cheap kind, but a guaranteed shield, and worth 12-15c, for 5c.

Curling Irons, 3c.

Large sizes, with wooden handles, same as those sold elsewhere for 8c, for 3c.

10-4 White Blankets, 49c.

A splendid weight, and very desirable, and worth 98c, for 49c.

Misses' Shoes, 69c.

A broken lot, which if you can be suited, is the greatest shoe value of the age. Every pair worth \$1.25, for 69c.

Ladies' Plush Capes, \$3.98.

Handsomely lined with the best merized satine. Made with full sweep and worth \$6.98, for \$3.98.

Ladies' India Linen Aprons, 9c.

Made full length and width, with deep hem, long, wide strings, and worth 25c, for 9c.

Ladies' Muslin Skirts, 19c.

With deep cambric flounce, yoke band and tapes. Full width and length, worth 45c, for 19c.

50c Working Shirts . . . 39c.

10c Black and Tan Men's Hose . . . 4c.

50c Men's Fleece-lined Underwear . . . 29c.

25c Canton Flannel . . . 19c.

15c Shawl Straps . . . 8c.

15c Men's Grey Mixed Half Hose . . . 6c.

75c Tam O'Shanter, 39c.

All our Children's Tam O'Shanter, made of corduroy and cloth, blue, brown, red, and tan shades. Worth 75c.

Men's and Boys' Sample Hats, 49c.

The lot consists of Derby and Fedoras, in black, brown, and pearl shades, and sold up to \$2.49.

SAMUEL FRIEDLANDER & CO., 416 - - Seventh Street - - 416.

LIVING WITH A BROKEN BACK.

The Remarkable Case of a Philadelphia Hospital Patient.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 11.—For a year a man has been living at the Pennsylvania Hospital with a broken back. On January 10, 1899, Michael Shannon, of 619 Fitzwater Street, jumped from a window of the medical ward, sustaining a fracture of the fifth lumbar vertebra.